

Pennsylvania Right to Know Act Request: Vigilant Data Sharing Information - 2018 - Assignment Submission (State College Area Police Department)

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To: policerecords <policerecords@statecollegepa.us>;

State College Area Police Department
RTK Office
243 South Allen Street

State College, PA 16801-4864

December 13, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right to Know Act, I hereby request the following records:

- 1) The names of agencies and organizations with which the Agency shares ALPR data;
- 2) The names of agencies and organizations from which the Agency receives ALPR data;
- 3) The names of agencies and organizations with which the Agency shares "hot list" information;
- 4) The names of agencies and organizations from which the Agency receives "hot list" information;

This information is easily available within the Agency's LEARN system. The simplest way to extract this data is to generate an "Agency Data Sharing Report" PDF file from within LEARN. To do this, a user may simply go to the "Sharing" section of LEARN and select "Output Report." A CSV/XLS file containing these records would also satisfy this request.

The instructions for extracting this data is described on pages 62-63 of the LEARN Agency Manager Guide, which may be found at this link:

<https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/3860685-LEARN-5-1-Agency-Manager-Guide.html>

An example of this record may be found at this link:

<https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/3936113-Palos-Verdes-Estates-Police-Department-Data.html>

A number of other agencies have regularly determined the above information constitutes a public record and have provided an "Agency Data Sharing Report." These agencies include:

Anaheim Police Department, Antioch Police Department, Bakersfield Police Department Chino Police Department, Clovis Police Department, Elk Grove Police Department, Fontana Police Department, Fountain Valley Police Department, Glendora Police Department, Hawthorne Police Department, Irvine Police Department, Livermore Police Department, Lodi Police Department, Long Beach Police Department, Montebello Police Department, Orange Police Department, Palos Verdes Estates Police Department, Red Bluff Police Department, Sacramento Police Department, San Bernardino Police Department, San Diego Police

Department, San Rafael Police Department, San Ramon Police Department, Simi Valley Police Department, and the Tulare Police Department.

We further request the following records

The aggregate number of "detections" (i.e. license plate scans and associated data) collected during 2016.

The aggregate number of detections collected during 2017.

The aggregate number of detections collected during 2018.

The aggregate number of "hits" (i.e. times that a plate on a hotlist was detected) during 2016.

The aggregate number of "hits" during 2017.

The aggregate number of "hits" during 2018.

This information is easily available within the Agency's LEARN system. The simplest way to extract this data is to generate a "Dashboard Hit Ratio Report" PDF file from within LEARN. We would prefer the data for each year to be provided separately.

An example of this document may be found at: <https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/3870802-Sacramento-PD-Hit-Ratio-Rpt-010112-051917-Redacted.html>

The instructions for extracting this data is described on pages 78-79 of the LEARN Agency Manager Guide, which may be found at this link:

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The following agencies have regularly determined the above information constitutes a public record and have provided an "Dashboard Hit Ratio Report." These agencies include:

Anaheim Police Department; Bakersfield Police Department; Chino Police Department; Clovis Police Department; Elk Grove Police Department; Fontana Police Department; Irvine Police Department; La Habra Police Department; Laguna Beach Police Department; Lodi Police Department; Sacramento Police Department; San Diego Police Department; San Ramon Police Department; and the Red Bluff Police Department.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 5 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Dave Maass

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Upload documents directly: https://www.muckrock.com/accounts/agency_login/state-college-area-police-department-529/vigilant-data-sharing-information-2018-assignment-submission-state-college-area-police-department-65858/?uuid-login=87e8b181-d531-470e-985b-34f2a53cc926&email=policerecords%40statecollegepa.us#agency-reply
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For mailed responses, please address (see note):

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JOHN F. GARDNER
Chief of Police



December 14, 2018

Dave Maass

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Dear Mr. Maass:

Thank you for your written request to the State College Police Department for information pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law. On December 13, 2018 you requested the following records:

The names of agencies and organizations with which the Agency shares ALPR data;
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The aggregate number of "hits" (i.e. times that a plate on a hotlist was detected) during 2016.

The aggregate number of "hits" during 2017.

The aggregate number of "hits" during 2018.

Your request for records is denied under the Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law Act 3 of 2008 because no such records exists within the possession, custody or control of the State College Police Department. Automated License Plate Reader's (ALPR) are not used and not contracted to be used by the State College Police Department. Given that Automated License Plate Readers are not use or possessed by the State College Police Department, sharing/receiving ALPR data, sharing/receiving "hot list" information, aggregate data regarding "detections"/ "hits" for years 2016, 2017, 2018 are records that do not exist responsive to this request.

Though no records exist that can be provided to fulfill your request, we must inform you that you have the right to file an appeal if a written request for access to a record has been denied or deemed denied.

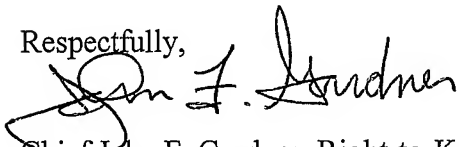
An appeal regarding non-criminal investigative records should be submitted in writing to the following:

Erik Arneson, Executive Director
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Office of Open Records
333 Market Street, 16th Floor
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17101-2234
earneson@pa.gov

If you choose to file an appeal, you must do so within fifteen business days of the mailing date of the agency's response, or within fifteen business days of a deemed denial, Section 1101.

If you have further questions, please call Chief John F. Gardner, Right-to-Know Officer. Please be advised that this correspondence will serve to close this record with our office as permitted by law.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John F. Gardner", is written over the word "Respectfully,".

Chief John F. Gardner, Right-to-Know Officer
Chief of Police
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